



New Mexico Department of Public Safety  
Law Enforcement Academy  
**OFFICER SURVIVAL SCENARIO**



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**SCENARIO NUMBER:** Patrol Response 535 (Intermediate)

**SCENARIO TITLE:** Emotionally/Mentally  
Disturbed Individual  
with belt.

**SCENARIO SYNOPSIS:**

Students are dispatched to a report of an Emotionally/Mentally Disturbed Individual swinging a belt at civilians at a mall. The subject will respond to verbal commands **if** the Students exhibit excellent verbal skills.

**INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVE(S):**

Student will demonstrate a tactically sound **approach**.  
Student will demonstrate appropriate verbal **communication with subjects** and will exhibit command presence.  
Student will demonstrate proper awareness and/or use of **cover and concealment**.  
Student will demonstrate the ability to take appropriate, legally defensible **enforcement action**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **handcuffing** and handcuff removal techniques.  
Student will demonstrate a proper **pat down and/or person search**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **positioning of officers**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **use of force** at an appropriate level.  
Student will demonstrate proper and appropriate **weapon manipulation**.

**LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

**None**

MARKED UNITS REQUIRED:

**None**

SUBJECT VEHICLES REQUIRED:

**None**

ROLE PLAYERS REQUIRED:

**02 Students, 01 subject**

QUANTITY:

**01**

ITEM(S):

**Belt**

**ROLE PLAYER INFORMATION:**

**Subject 1:** You are mentally ill. You are at a local mall, swinging your belt at civilians. You will respond to verbal commands *only* if the Students exhibit excellent verbal skills. Otherwise, you will continue to be uncooperative, until taken into custody.

**STUDENT INFORMATION:**

You are dispatched to a local mall regarding a report of a subject swinging a belt at civilians.